FOUND A BOA IN HIS CHAIR

BIG SNAKE HAD LIVED YEARS, MAYBE, IN THE BRIG DAISY.

Probably Fed on Rats-Captain Freethy Didn't Sit Down-He Went for Another Captain and They Lassoed It-It Looked, at One Period, 15 Feet Long.

It was Sunday night, and the lid was down in Brooklyn. Therefore, the skipper declares, no snakes of the metropolitan variety could have been taken aboard the little Yankee brigantine Daisy, lying at the foot of Clinton street, Brooklyn; besides, the skipper sails chiefly under water ballast, even when the lid isn't down. The skipper is tall, slim, grizzled and brown as a gnarled pine knot of his native State of Maine. He is the captain, mate and bodtswain bold and all the rest of the crew of the Daisy brig, and his only shipmates are his dog Buster and the snake.

As the skipper himself said when he spun the yarn, "this is no temperance story. The snake is real. The reporters saw it yesterday, and, after counting five con volutions, asked Capt. W. A. Freethy how long it was. "It might be ten feet," the skipper answered. "You can take it out and measure it if you want to. It didn't give me a chance when I found it on Sunday

The skipper poked the snake with a long stick and it uncoiled about five feet of itself. "Now," he said, "that's about half of it. Just multiply that by two, and I think you'll have the right length. But it doesn't matter how long you make it you cannot get it as big as it looked to me when I first saw it in my cabin on Sunday night.

"Have you ever seen a snake as long as that at sea?" one of the newest ultramarine reporters asked.

'No, I've never seen anything wonderful and never had such remarkable exper-iences at sea as I have had in dock and on shore. Ever since I was 16, and that is forty-one years ago, I have been going to sea, and all the things I ever set eyes on were whales and porpoises. I don't believe in sea serpents. I have been four times around the Horn and in most every port on top of the earth, and I never have seen anything that gave me such a scare as this snake. I don't know what you will call it. but it looks to me like a bos constrictor. Come here, Buster! Keep away from that box or that snake'll squeeze the life out

Come here, Buster! Keep away from that box or that snake'll squeeze the life out of you."

The akipper then told how he happened to capture the snake, which he thinks has been growing up, or rather growing fore and aft in the hold, for about three years, or since the Daisy was last seen in a South American port. She was laid up at the foot of Clinton street last January. Her former skipper, Capt. Dickson, gave her up to take to farming up in Maine. On March 13, Capt. Freethy, who was without a command, took charge of the Daisy; that is, he became a sort of caretaker, hoping that in a few weeks her owners might charter her to somebody, but they didn't, and she is still out of a job. Capt. Dickson did not say anything about a pet boa aboard when he turned the Daisy over to Capt. Freethy. One thing was noticeable. The rats that had been very numerous aboard the brigantine when she was laid up began to decrease fast, and now there is apparently none, or very few, in her.

The skipper went to Brooklyn to visit his married daughter on Sunday, and returned in the night with the Sunday morning papers intending to while away a few hours in his easy chair under the lamp on the after wall of the cabin. Opposite the chair is a desk and on top of the desk there is neually a small axe that the skipper thinks might be good to use in certain emergencies. On the port side of the chair is his bunk, under which there is cheet of drawers.

"It was about 9 o'clock," the skipper and, "when I came down into the cabin. I walked over to the lamp and lit it, first turning the wick up only a little so the chimney would not get hot too suddenly and break. Buster came down with me. After a half a minute or so I turned the lamp on full. It made the cabin very bright. Then I glanced down at the chair, as a man will just before sitting down. I tell you I never had such a creepy feeling come over

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never had such a creepy feeling come over me in my life.

"There was that big snake coiled up, with its head wiggling and its tongue shooting out at me. Well, you can just bet I jumped back a few steps. And the next thing I did was to grab the axe on the desk. I said to myself, 'If you jump for me, I'll slice you up into mince meat.' Well, it didn't jump, and then I made up my mind that I'd capture it and sell it. Buster had set up a barking and was trying to get at the snake. I had to hold him back, as I was afraid that he would be killed. But was afraid that he would be killed. But

I was afraid that he would be killed. But he was game to fight the snake if I'd let him. "I kept my eye on the snake and backed up the companionway to the deck. Then I went down on the dock and called Capt. Dill of the brigantine Motley to come aboard, as I had caught a burglar. He didn't believe me, but he came aboard with me, and when we got down into the cabin I believe me, but he came aboard with me, and when we got down into the cabin I explained things to him. He asked me where the snake was, and I told him it was on the chair. We both looked on the chair at the same time, and, by George! the snake wasn't there. Now, that looked pretty bad for me, and Capt. Dill laughed in a sarcastic way that I didn't like. But I told him the snake was surely in the cabin when I had left.

I had left.

"Just then Buster tried to climb up into my berth, and I made up my mind that the snake was there. I reached over with a stick I had picked up on deck and threw down the cover. There it was, looking two yards longer than I thought it was when I first saw it. I poked it, and it wriggled down between the foot of the bunk and the after bulk head and crawled into the chest of drawers. Capt. Dill and I vanked out the drawers while the fool dog barked and jumped around, trying his best to get at the snake. I had brought a lantern with me and threw the light under the bunk.

"We saw the snake trying to squeeze through a big rat hole in the side of the cabin back of the chest. It had wriggled through all but about two feet, I guess. I ran out on deck into the little alley between the port bulwark and the side of the cabin with Buster. I poked at the snake with my stick and Buster barked. The snake began to back into the rat hole, and when it was all in I plugged the hole with a bit of wood and went down into the cabin. We had to keep the dog on deck because we didn't want to see him killed.

"The snake had coiled up under the chest. Capt. Dill poked at it while I dangled a noose of a half-inch rope near its head. The poking made it angry and it began to hiss and darted its head right into the noose. I hauled on the rope. The way that critter resisted and wound itself around the framework of the chest convinced me that Buster wouldn't have had the ghost of a show if we had let him tackle it.

"We hauled on that rope like college boys in a tug of war. We stretched the ust then Buster tried to climb up into

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snake some, I think, and I believe if it had
been measured just before it decided that
it was better to let go with its tail than have
its head yanked off, it would have been its head yanked off, it would have been 15 feet long. It got quite gentle after it let go and we dropped it into a bex and covered it up. I dumped the box into the coal bin out there on the main deck, and I'm going to let it stay there until some-body comes along and buys it. I'd rather have rats aboard ship than snakes any day."

Will of Henry A. Rogers.

The will of Henry A. Rogers, who was president of the Board of Education and who died last Saturday, was filed yesterday. who died last Saturday, was filed yesterday. It disposes of real estate valued at \$75,000 by the executors, and personal property declared to be worth \$50,000. The will was executed on April 20, 1894, and divides the estate among the testator's immediate family. The house at 1143 Louisa street, Elizabeth, N. J., goes to his sister, Miss Charlotte Annin, and \$5,000 to a nice, Miss Blanche Gregory. The residuary estate goes to the widow. There are two children.

BONILLA RULES HONDURAS. Constitutional Convention Will Exten

NEW ORLEANS, June 28.-The Constitutional convention of the Republic of Honduras is now in session. Its first action was to approve all the acts of President Bonilla. He will have the presidential term extended from four to ten years, and as he will be elected President under the new constitution he will serve twelve years.

Former President Arias is now on trial for the murder of a Spaniard whose body was found buried in the President's palace when it was captured by the revolutionists under Bonilla. The charge was then made that Arias had had the Spaniard, who was a very wealthy man, arrested, and upon his refusal to give up his fortune had murdered him and buried the body in the palace yard. The charge was made mainly for the purpose of holding Arias after an agreement had been made by the revolutionists to allow him to escape from the country, but the Government has stirred up trouble for itself by doing so, as the country, but the Government has attrred up trouble for itself by doing so, as the Spanish Government has made a claim against Honduras on behalf of the murdered man's family and has sent a special Chargé d'Affaires to insist upon the payment of the money. If the Government finds Arias guilty, it makes the republic responsible for the \$50,000 indemnity demanded by Spain for the family of the murdered Spaniard.

sengers from Central America report that at a convention at San Salvador of representatives from the republics of Guatemala, Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala, Salvador, Honduras and Nicaraugua it was agreed to adopt the proposal laid down by the Pan-American Congress which met at Mexico last year, that all differences between the States be settled by arbitration. Treaties were drawn up by the delegates, and signed by them under authority from their several republics, binding them to arbitrate any differences which may arise. As all the Central American Republics except Costa Rica-were represented, the action taken at San Salvador is believed to promise peaceful conditions for several years, except from possible revolutions.

TRIED TO LYNCH A NEGRO.

Had a Rope Over a Limb of a Tree When Policeman Appeared.

PASSAIC, N. J., June 28.-Louis Berry colored, narrowly escaped being lynched early this morning and was saved only by the arrival of Patrolman Crawbuck. Berry met James Hammond of Chestnu street in a suloon and they got into ar altercation. Eerry was put out of the saloon, and lay in wait for Hammond. When Hammond appeared, the colored man jumped at him from behind a tree and stab-bed him several times in the neck and

Friends of Hammond carried him into the saloon and then started after the colored man. He led them over back fences and through swamps before he was captured Patrolman Crawbuck reached the When Patrolman Crawbuck reached the negro the men were about to lynch him and had already thrown a rope over the limb of a tree. They gave him up to the policeman only after the latter had pulled his revolver. The policeman had to keep his gun in his hand all the way to police headquarters.

Hammond is in a critical condition at his home. Berry was sent to jail on a

his home. Berry was sent to jail on a charge of atrocious assault and battery.

TO SELL THE SEARLES PLACE? Report That New York Syndicate Has Se

cured the Marion Property. NEW BEDFORD, Mass., June 28.-Considerable credence is given to the report that the John E. Searles place in Marion is in the hands of a New York syndicate headed by Col. Albert A. Pope, and that the plans of the syndicate involve the expenditure of \$400,000 in improving the property and the erection of a \$100,000 hotel. There are about five miles of shore and over 1,000 acres of

and in the place.

When president of the American Cotton when president of the American Cotton Company, Mr. Searles made an assignment. H. H. Bogers was one of the creditors, and his claim was secured by a mortgage of \$100,000 on the place in Marion. For several years the property has been in the hands of a Boston real estate dealer.

"Fighting Flames" Manager Missing. Paul de Jaeger of 546 State street, Brooklyn, business manager of the "Fighting Flames" show in Dreamland, Coney Island, has disappeared. He was known to have cash to the amount of \$1,742.50 about his person when he was last seen. Fearing that he may have met foul play, his em-ployers have notified Brocklyn Police Headuarters and asked that search be made quarters and asked that search be made for him. De Jaeger has always been re-garded as a man of excellent character. He belongs to a prominent Boer family and is said to have been at one time an

Mark Hanna's Estate Here to Be Appraised.

The property owned in this State by Senator Mark A. Hanna, who died in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 15, last, is to be appraised by Charles K. Lexow, accordbe appraised by charles k. Debow, according to an order made vesterday by Surrogate Fitzgerald. Senator Hanna's will was probated in Cleveland, Ohio, and State Comptroller Kelsey, who says that there is \$10,000 worth of property of the estate here, asked for the appointment of an appraiser.

Letter Personalty \$8,466,610.

WASHINGTON, June 28 .- According to report made to the Probate Court to-day by Appraisers George E. Johnson and Robert J. Jones, the personal estate of the late Levi Z. Leiter amounts to \$3,466,610. amount \$3,484,810 is in stocks, \$3,200 bonds, \$25,000 in books and \$3,600 ir norses and carriages.

Died in Cell in Raymond Street Jall. Charles O'Loughlin, 34 years old, of 177 Fulton street, who was committed to the Raymond Street Jail, Brooklyn, for vagrancy on Monday, was found dead in his cell yes-terday morning. The body was taken to the morgue and his father, Patrick O'Loughlin, of Brockton, Mass., was no-tified.

The Weather.

The high preasure area which brought on the and was being followed by an extensive move-ment of low pressure from the North west, which means a gradual increase of heat in the Atlantic States for the next few days. It was growing warmer west of the Alleghany Mountains.

Cloudy and showery conditions prevailed in
the Lake regions, in the Ohlo and Tennessee

valleys and in the middle Atlantic and southern New England States; elsewhere it was fair. In this city the day was cloudy, with an occadonal sprinkling of rain; wind, light and variable verage humidity, 54 per cent.; barometer, cor rected to read to sea level at 8 A. M., 80.15; 8 P. M.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the

1904. 1908. ..70° 68° ..66° 66° WASHINGTON PORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW For eastern New York, cloudy Wednesday, prob-

ably showers in extreme south portion; Thursda fair, warmer in interior; light to fresh east to south For eastern Pennsylvania, partly cloudy Wednes. day, probably showers: Thursday, fair, warmer; light to fresh east to southeast winds.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland.

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partly cloudy: light to fresh east to southeast winds.
For New England, partly cloudy Wednesday and Thursday: light to fresh southeast to south For western New York, partly cloudy and warmer Wednesday and Thursday; light to fresh south winds.

For New Jersey, partly cloudy Wednesday, probably showers: Thursday fair, warmer in interior; light to fresh east to southeast winds.

UNION CASH GONE AT RACES

HOUSESMITHS TREASURY EMPTY AND TREASURER LOCKED UP.

Says He Took the \$1.884 Entrusted to Him Merely as a Loan and He'll Pay It Back -Has S2 to Start On-Didn't Pick Win ners and Didn't Turn Up to Explain.

Frederick Rasmussen, treasurer of Local 52 of the Housesmith's Union, was arrested last night charged with stealing \$1,854 of the union's money and locked up in the Tenderloin police station. He had used the money, accoording to his own state-

The arrest was made after Local 52, which is one of the four local unions of housesmith's which replaced the old Sam Parks organization, had held a meeting in Central Hall in Thirty-seventh street between Sixth and Seventh avenues.

At this meeting Treasurer Rasmusser was to have made a report on the union's finances. He didn't appear. According to Secretary Charles Hammerston there was suspicion among the members even before the meeting that Rasmussen was not doing the right thing with the union's funds As he had in his possession all the funde which Local 52 had, the officers decided when Rasmussen failed to appear that it was about time to get an interview with him. There was a hubbub in the meeting when the situation was explained, but the officers got the meeting to adjourn about

Secretary Hammerston went at once to the Tenderloin station and explained to the sergeant at the desk what he wanted. The sergeant assigned Detective Willeuse to go with Hammerston to Rasmussen's house at 234 East Fifty-third street. He was not at home. The detective, however, got track of him at Fifty-third street and Third avenue, and there he was arrested. Rasmussen told the detective that he had

lost the money mostly in betting on the last Suburban and Brooklyn handicaps. He said also, according to the detective, that he had to bet heavily on Hermis to win the \$50,000 World's Fair Handicap at St. Louis in the hope of recouping. Hermie came in second. He said that he didn't intend to steal the money, but had "Just taken it as a loan." He even promised to pay it back. He had \$2 in his pockets. Hammerston says that Rismussen was valuable man to the union in the recent

strike and was popular with the housesmiths. He was elected treasurer two months ago Local 52's treasury at present is empty. PRIEST'S CAMP FOR BOYS.

Father Smith Starts To-day for Lake Champlain With the First Comers. The Rev. John Talbot Smith is to start his morning from the Grand Central Staion with twenty-five college youths for his carry in the Catholic summer school grounds on the shore of Lake Champlain

grounds on the shore of Lake Champiani.
Father Smith told a Sun reporter yesterday
that by the end of this week 100 young
men, from almost every college in the
Eastern States, would be in camp.
Father Smith's college camp was established six years ago and its tenants have
grown from a baker's dozen to an average
weekly attendance of 100 of almost all
ages between 10 and 30. Father Smith ages between 10 and 30. Father Smith hopes to have 500 in camp before he quits. They live in tents in the woods and spend their time in the open air. The sports are swimming, boating, canoeing, bicycling, golf, baseball and tennis. There are field day games arranged by James E. Sullivan of the Amateur Athletic Union.

LONGEST WIRELESS CIRCUITS. Navy Department Signs Contracts for

West Indies and Panama Service. WASHINGTON, June 28 .- As the result f competitive tests conducted under the direction of Lieut.-Commander Jayne to fix on the wireless telegraph system best suited to meet the requirements of the navy in communication between Key West Panama and intermediate points posand Fanama and intermediate points pos-sessed by the United States, a contract was signed to-day between Rear Admiral Manney, Chief of the Naval Bureau of Equipment, and Abraham White, president of the American De Forest Wireless Tele-graph Company, by which the navy will cquire five wireless circuits, two of them f more than 1,000 miles in length, being the longest in the world.

the longest in the world.

The arrangement grew primarily from the necessity of protecting the Panama Canal by securing a secondary means of communication and was emphasized by the lesson learned from the isolation of Port Arthur in the war between Russia

The service which the De Forest company guarantees to establish is remarkable in that messages must not only traverse ocean, but considerable parts of land in the West Indies. Under the contract the De Forest company guarantees to main-tain reliable service on the following cir-

Key West to Panama, 1,000 miles; Porto Rice to Panama, 1,000 miles; Porto Rice to Key West, 1,000 miles; Guantanamo, or the south Cuban coast, to Panama, 720 miles; Pensacola to Key West, 450 miles; Guantanamo, or south Cuban coast, to Porto Rico, 600 miles. Under the agreement the Navy Depart-ment will operate in harmony with such

ment will operate in harmony with at stations and vessels as now use the Forest system, its instruments will attuned to harmonize with those of De Forest company and it will use the company's key of vibrations.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

WASZINGTON, June 28 .- The battleship Oregon and the collier Brutus have arrived at Shanghai, the cruiser Newark (flagship of Rear Admiral Sigabee) and the gunboat Scorpion at Puerto Plata, the tug Potomac at Key West, the gunboat Villalobos at Ichang, the cruiser Baltimore at Gibraltar and the cruiser Detroit at Boston. The colliers Leonidas and Hannibal have sailed from Lambert's Point for Cisbon, the gunboat Dixie from Colon for Tompkinsville, the battleship Missouri from Gibraltar for Piraeus and the cruiser Topeka from Sandy Hook for Tompkinsville. rived at Shanghai, the cruiser Newark

Chief Post Office Clerk Resigns. WASHINGTON, June 28.-Blaine W. Taylor, chief clerk of the Post Office Department. has tendered his resignation, to take effect has tendered his resignation, to take effect about Aug. 1. Mr. Taylor will return to his home at Elkins, W. Va., where he will practise law and edit his newspaper. Mr. Taylor is a Cleveland Democrat, and Postmaster-General Payne tried to have him removed some time ago, but Mr. Taylor's place was in the classified service.

Army and Navy Orders. WASHINGTON, June 28 .-- These army orders have

been issued:
Lieut.-Col. William F. Tucker, Deputy Paymaster-General, from the Department of the Columbia to Philippines Division as Chief Paymaster,
relieving Lieut.-Col. George R. Smith, Deputy
Paymaster-General, to San Francisco. These navy orders have been issued:

Commander A C. Baker, from St. Louis, to Asiatie station.

Lieutenant Commander H. M. Witzel, from com-nand of the Nashville to home. mand of the Nashville to home.
Lleut. R. C. Moody, from the Nashville to home.
Assistant Surgeon H. O. Shiffert, from the Nashville to home.
Assistant Surgeon E. C. Taylor, from the Naval Jospital, San Juan, to the Bancroft.
Assistant Surgeon O. J. Mink, to the Naval Jospital, Philadelphia.
Assistant Surgeon F. E. Porter, to the Naval Jospital, Norfolk.

Off for the Wheat Fields To-Morrow. John J. Bealin, superintendent of the Estate Free Employment Bureau, at 107
East Thirty-first street, announces that
the first party to leave his office for work
on the Western wheat fields will start tomorrow at 1:30 P. M., and those who want
to go must apply before that time. And then there are the wonderful Panama South American

KNOX HATS

in straw hats at the KNOX Stores.

Did you know that in the extra fine Panamas it requires two years to braid one of them? All that is best and superior Agencies in all the principal cities in the world.

NON-UNION TAILORS STRIKE.

Poor Chance for a Speedy Settlement of the Fight Against the Open Shep. There appeared less chance than ever resterday for a speedy settlement of the strike of the clothing workers against he New York Clothing Trade Association for the closed shops. Some non-union cutters joined in the strike and for the present the Employers' Association has discontinued advertisements for help. It was an-nounced for the association that matters would not be rushed until July 4 is over would not be rushed until July 4 is over.

Mr. L. B. Hornthal, of the association
employment bureau, said that in many
of the shops 60 per cent. of the usual force
were at work, most of them new men.
One of the many odd things about this
odd strike is that whether the strikers
exturn to work or not the gooditions will

odd strike is that whether the strikers return to work or not the sonditions will be unchanged. The open shop ruled before the strike began and no matter how it ends the open shop will remain. Yet there are more tailors on strike than have been idle at any time since 1898.

Two strike pickets who were charged with annoying non-union workers, were fined \$10 each by Magistrate Ommen in Jefferson Market police court yesterday. They were Joseph Meagher, 31 years old of 2403 Broadway, and Lester Nussbaum. 35 years old, of 232 Sixth street. The complainant, Levi Goldstein, of 48 East Ninety-eighth street, said they followed him in the street and threatened him.

WANT HIGHER PAY ALL ROUND. Bricklayers' Demand Not Confined to the

Work on the Subway. was officially announced yesterday that though the bricklayers' unions have made a demand on all contractors in the city for an advance in wages from 65 to 70 cents an hour no special demand has been made for higher pay on the subway

work.
W. C. Douglas, secretary of the Rapid Transit Contractors' Association, said yesterday that less than 100 bricklayers alto-gether were at work in the subway. The bricklayers have been working under an arbitration agreement with the Rapid Transit Contractors' Association, similar in effect to that of the trades represented in the Central Federated Union. The agreement provides for union wages and conditions and the settlement of all differ-

Open Shop in the Glove Trade.

JOHNSTOWN, N. Y., June 28 .- After strike lasting more than six months, 500 table cutters, the most expert workmen in the glove trade, voted to-day to go back to work. The fight was over the open shop. work. The fight was over the open shop. The manufacturers who stood out for it were headed by Lucius N. Littauer, Reprentative from this district. The strike has kept nearly 3,000 gloveworkers idle.

WESTERVELT REAPPEARS. fissing Broker Was on the Consolidated

Exchange Yesterday. A. Fountain Westervelt, the Consolidated Stock Exchange broker, who disappeared a few weeks ago just before the date set for his marriage to Miss Florence W. Olmstead, of Hackensack, and who was found in the Canadian Northwest, appeared on the floor of the exchange yesterday. He remained for only a few moments and later, it was said, visited the office of the secretary to make a grangements for the sale of his

make arrangements for the sale of his membership.

Westervelt returned from Canada on his sister, Friday and went to the home of his sister, Mrs. H. L. Barto, at Hackensack. Miss Olmstead is reported to be at Atlantic City.

THOMAS MURPHY DEAD.

Once a Partner of Levi P. Morton and Wealthy-Penniless at End of Long Life. MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., June 28.-Thomas Murphy, once a partner of former Vice-President Levi P. Morton and at one time worth \$100,000, died in the Mount Vernon Hospital to-day in the ninety-fifth year of his age, practically penniless. His death, it is thought, was hastened by grief caused by the action of his daughter in having a Sheriff's jury declare him insane and inom petent

For two years his estate was tied up so that he had to live on the charity of his leighbors.

Proceedings to have Mr. Murphy declared

Proceedings to have Mr. Murphy declared insane were brought by his daughter, Mrs. Irene Lindsley, whose husband defended Jefferson Davis. She testified that her father had deeded all his property to Mrs. Anna Fallon, the wife of a plumber, and had cut her off without a cent. The long litigation used up all except about \$1,500 of Mr. Murphy's estate.

Obituary Notes.

Joseph S. Stout, banker and broker, with offices at 25 Broad street, died yesterday at Bernardsville, N. J. He was 57 years old and was born in this city. His father, the late Andrew V. Stout, was a sarings bank president in this city some years ago. Mr. Stout was a member of the firm of Stout & Co., and of the New York Stock and Produce exchanges. He was treasurer and director of the Hodgman Rubber Company, treasurer of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, director of Deer Hill Company, New York Mutual Gas Light Company, National Shoe and Leather Bank, Toledo: St. Louis and Kansas City Railroad Company and St. Lawrence Power Company. He was also a member of the Union League and Metropolitan clubs.

Ferdinand J. Mittchell, freight agent of the late Andrew V. Stout, was a savings bank

Union League and Metropolitan clubs.

Ferdinand J. Mitchell, freight agent of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad for many years, died in New Orleans yesterday of the effects of shock produced by the Galveston storm of three years ago. He was a native of New Orleans and had occupied several important railroad places, going to Galveston for a steamship company. He was there during the great storm. His sufferings and the scenes he saw weakened his brain and produced paralysis, from which he never recovered.

never recovered.

John Tiebout, the veteran hardware merchant of 118 Chambers street, died on Sunday, in his summer home at Manasquan, N. J., in his seventy-seventh year. He had been engaged in the hardware business for fifty years. He was formerly president of the Dry Dock Savings Bank and was a director in the bank at the time of his death. He leaves a widow, a son and three daughters. The funeral services will be held this evening at his late home, 358 Greene avenue, Brooklyn.

1. A. Finch, a well known iron manufacturer

Brooklyn.

1. A. Finch, a well known iron manufacturer and president of Finch's foundry in Scranton, Pa., died yesterday in this city of kidney trouble. He had been undergoing treatment in New York for six months. He was 67 years old and is survived by one daughter and one son, the latter William Finch of Atlantic City.

Michael Brown

Atlantic City.

Michael Barry, who had been a private watchman on Brooklyn Heights for forty years, died on Monday in his home at 110 Third place, in his sixty-ninth year. He was known as "Boss" Barry from his striking ressimblance to Richard Croker. He was a member of the Catholic Benevolent Legion.

The Seageers.

Arrivals by the Red Star liner Vaderland, n yesterday from Antwerp: Bradford M. Adams, Gen. Thomas H. Barber, Walter A. Clark, Joseph Dumont, Frederick P. Olcott, the Barcness von Massenbach and Joseph E. Taylor.

Aboard the Ward liner Mexico, in yesterday from Havana:

Col. Michael J. Dady, former State Senator Pavey and G. F. Greenwood. Arrived by the North German Lloyd steamship Grosser Kurfuerst: Nicholas W. Muller, Fritz Simon and J. F.

BIG BATTLE REPORTED ON.

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Talien, or Tatien and Fenchui passes cannot be located so positively, pending more detailed information. One critic places Ta pass between Siuyen and Haicheng. Another places it northwest of Fengwangcheng and due south of Motien, while a third identifies it with a better known pass about thirty miles due east of Liaoyang.

Fencani pass is alternatively located as in the legation despatch or immediately above Saimatsi, forty-five miles north of Fengwangcheng.

Until these topographical differences are harmonized, it seems impossible to estimate accurately the value of the latest Japanese success or to accept the most sanguine pro-Japanese view that the invaders are now free to advance to Liaoyaug and Haicheng, with the prospect of cutting off the Russian retreat northward.

SURPRISE AT EASY VICTORY

Astonishment is expressed at the comparative ease with which, apparently, the Japanese captured the Motien Pass, which has been repeatedly reported to be strongly prepared for defence and as only possible to be captured at the expense of an enormous number of lives. In view of the supposed strength of this position and the lack of precision in the available news, there is even some doubt whether it is actually the pass which the Chinese held so stubbornly that the Japanese have now captured.

A report from its correspondent at Tash ichao appears in the St. Petersburg Bourse Gazette recording that the Japanese drove the Russians from Dolin Pass. It is impossible to decide to which pass this refers. The correspondent says that Gen. Kuroki seems to have abandoned his plan of operations. Instead of making a flanking movement he made a direct attack on Dolin Pass on Sunday with twenty-seven battalions.

The Russians held their own against 30,000 Japanese. Gen. Kuroki renewed the attack on Monday morning, and after a fierce battle the Russians retired to another position three versts to the rear. They retreated in such good order that Gen. Kuroki did not dare to press the pursuit.

ROME HEARS OF HEAVY LOSS. According to a Rome despatch news has been received there from Chefoo to the effect that the Russians defending Fenchui Pass were almost annihilated. The battlefield was thickly strewn with the dead. Nine guns and 275 prisoners

were taken. The Japanese pursued the Russians nine miles, when their officers stopped the chase, fearing an ambush. It should be remembered that all war news from Rome is open to suspicion.

WITHDRAWING FROM KAIPING. A despatch to the Standard from Tientsin says that the Russian troops who were stationed south of Kaiping have been withdrawn northward and posted at Lanchi-

chang, Suitangsun and Erstnokow. They are estimated to number about 30,000. They are apparently preparing to engage or harass the Japanese who are reported to be advancing on Kaiping. The Japanese movements are being kept

exceedingly close. It is impossible to ascertain whether a double or single column is advancing. The Russians in the outlying camps are being concentrated along the railway. The Tokio correspondent of the Times,

referring to the indications of an impending great battle in the neighborhood of Tashichao, says that Gen. Kouropatkin is massing five or six divisions there for the purpose of protecting his left rear against the Japanese army from Takushan, which threatens Tomucheng, eighteen miles southeast of Haicheng. He will also push forward 20,000 troops in the direction of Kaiping. Thus altogether the troops in this neighborhood are believed to number nearly 100,000.

Meanwhile the Japanese Liaotung and Takushan armies have established touch with each other, and Gen. Kuroki's army will probably soon do likewise.

The correspondent adds that trustworthy information is extremely meagre. The official accounts are so guarded that it is impossible to form from them any comprehensive idea of the existing state of affairs at the front.

Information has been received that the rainy season has begun in southern Manchuria, which means that there will be great natural difficulties to be overcome during the next two months, especially by the Japanese right. As a natural consequence, one's thoughts concentrate on the railway, and the occupation of Fencsouling, twenty-three miles from Haicheng, supports the theory that the main interest for two months will be in the left and centre of the Japanese advance.

15 MILES FROM TASHICHAO. Japanese Force Reported Closing on Gen. Stakelberg.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. NEWCHWANG, June 28 .- It is stated that Gen. Stakelberg is now at Tashichao, and that his rear guard is at Shantsiatun. Natives report that a division of Gen. Kuroki's army was fifteen miles south of Tashichao on Monday evening.

If this is true it would seem that the severe rains had prevented the carrying out of the Japanese plan to attack the Russians there on Monday.

NOT SKRYDLOFF'S FLEET. Ships Seen Off Hokkaido Were Japanese and British Merchantmen.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN LONDON, June 29.-The Standard's Tokio correspondent says that the rumor of Russian warships being off the Island of Hokkaido proves to be unfounded. It has been ascertained that the ships seen were Japanese and British merchantmen. PARIS, June 28.-The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Petit Parisien says that a private telegram has been received there from Liaoyang reporting that on Saturday and Sunday a violent cannonading was heard south of Possiet Bay. It was believed that Admiral Skrydloff's squadron was engaged with the Japanese

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nouncement that Admiral Skrydloff will

occupy a month in drydocking his ships is regarded as a ruse to throw the Japanese off their guard. BATTLESHIP WRECK REPORTED. Russian Vessel Seen Ashore Near Port

Arthur Special Cable Despatch to THE SUI TOKIO. June 28.—It is reported that a Russian battleship is stranded on Tiger Rock, near the entrance of Port Arthur. It is supposed that she was wrecked after

the recent fight with Admiral Togo's fleet.

EMPEROR PRAISES TOGO. Tokie Press Also Approves His Tactics at Port Arthur.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN Tokio, June 27 (delayed).-The Empero nas congratulated Admiral Togo upon his successful engagement with the Port Arthur

The Jiji praises the Admiral's tactice and approves his discretion in using only his smaller craft, as Japan possesses no reserve fleet.

It says that the blocking of the harbor of Port Arthur and the sowing of mines in the channel were necessarily only temporary work; but the fifty days of quiet and security it afforded the transports far exceeded the cost. The Russians, the Jiji thinks, were evidently trying to make their way to a neutral port, with the object of taking refuge there.

The Nichi Nichi holds the authorities responsible for unfounded, reassuring statements, like those of Admiral Yamamoto. the Minister of Marine, to the deputation from the Progressist party which visited him to protest against the sending of unprotected transports to sea. Overcon idence, the Nichi Nichi says, shakes the nation's faith. The Japan Mail, rebuking the sensa-

tional journals and the ruffians who stoned

the residence of Admiral Kamimura, com-

mander of the Japanese squadron which failed to intercept the Russian Vladivostok ships, warns them not to drive to desperation one of Japan's smartest Admirals. who is handicapped by operating on peculiarly foggy sea. TOGO BOMBARDING.

Chinese Report Firing at Por Arthur All Last Sunday. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. Charoo, June 28 .- The last Chinese to arrive here from Port Arthur state that the Japanese fleet incessantly bombarded the fortress from dawn to dark last Sunday.

SUBMARINE SOLD TO RUSSIA. latter on the Fortuna Writes of the Ship's

Destination. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. FREDRICHSTAD, Norway, June 28 .- A sailor on board the steamer Fortuna, which sailed from New York on June 5, ostensibly for Cork, carrying on its deck a submarin hoat from the Lake submarine shipyards in Bridgeport, Conn., writes in a letter to relative here that the submarine was bought by Russia and shipped on board the Fortuna consigned to Cronstadt, whence

t is to be forwarded to Vladivostok. This despatch was shown yesterday to ex-Gov. Foster M. Voorhees of New Jersey, counsel for and a director in the Lake Submarine Steamboat Company. He beamed kindly at the reporter through

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his glasses, but hadn't anything to say concerning the destination of the Fortuna. He refused either to affirm or deny the re-port that the submarine had been sold to Russia and was to be forwarded to Vladi-

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The Cork for orders." She on June 3. "for Cork for orders on June 3, for Cork for orders. Sine was supposed to carry 4,000 tons of coal. She sailed out past Sandy Hook two days later and was described as having a submarine boat of the Lake type lashed to her deck. The Protector, a submarine, disappeared just before from the yard of the Lake company at Bridgeport, Conn.

Baltic Fleet Rumer

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN., LONDON, June 29.—The Telegraph quotes Russian naval officer at St. Petersburg as saying that part of the Baltic fleet will leave Cronstadt on June 28. The correspondent who sends the story does not verify it, but says he thinks it noteworthy that Admiral Avellan on Monday inspected the Sissoi Veliky, Osliabya and Kaniaz Souvaroff.

H. J. Middleton, War Correspondent, Dead.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN

NEWCHWANG, June 27.-H. J. Middleton.

associated Press correspondent with the

Russian headquarters near Liaoyang, in Manchuria, died on Sunday of enteric dysentery. Henry John Middleton was about 33 years old, unmarried and was born in London, where Mrs. Hanna Middleton, his mother, lives.

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MYERS-GARRETSON.—At Maplewood, N. J., on Monday, June 27, by the Rev. George R. Garretson, the bride's father, Anna Louise Garretson to Eugene Van Alken Myers. SCHOU-BARTRAM.—On Tuesday, June 28, 1904, at Hely Trinity Church, by the Rev. J. Nevets Steele, Maribel, daughter of Mrs. John W.

Steele, Maribel, daughter of Mrs. John W.
Bartram, to Sidney Schou.
VINOENT-WARD.—On Tuesday, June 28, 1894,
by the Rev. Dr. Peters, at the residence of the
bride. Mrs. Mary Hall Ward, formerly of East
Orange, N. J., to Dr. Walter Scott-Vincent of
Burlington, Vt.

DIED. RENNEDY.—On Monday, June 27, 1804 in the 28th year of her age, Eveline Stewart Kennedy, last surviving sister of the late William II, and John A. Kennedy of New York city.

Puneral services at the residence of Mr. Thomas C. Bell, Sunnyside avenue, Pleasantville, N. Y. on Thursday, June 20, at 8 P. M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Carriages will meet train leaving New York at \$20 P. M., Harlem Railroad. Baltimore, Md., papers please, copy.

MONROE.—Suddenly, at his home, Landament, N. Y., June 26, 1904, Augustin Monroe, son of the late Laura Renwick and John A. Monroe. eral services will be held at St. John's Ch

Larchmont, on Thursday morning, June 20, at The Holland Lones No. 8, P. & A. M.—Brothers:
You are requested to attend the funeral of
our late W. Brother Augustine Monroe at St.
John's Church, Larchmont, N. Y., on Thursday, June 30, at 11 o'clock.

EDGAR FREEMAN, Master: G. D. DRAPER, Secretary. Members of the Fraternity of Delta Psi are requested to attend the funeral services of Brother Augustin Monroe, at St. John's Church, Larohmont, N. Y., on Thursday morning, June 20, as 11 o'olook. Train leaves Grand Contral Station at 10:02.

Members of the Larchmont Yacht Club are respectfully requested to attend the funeral services of the late trustee and fellow member,

Augustin Monroe, at St. John's Church, Larchmont, Thursday, June 30, at 11 o'clock A. M. A. B. ALLEY, Scoretary, STOUT.—At Bernardsville, N. J., June 28, 1984, Joseph S., son of the late Andrew V. Stout. Notice of funeral hereafter.

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THIERIOT.—Entered into rest, on June 26, at his residence, South Orange, N. J., Ferdinaud Melly, son of the late Ferdinand Thieriet, in the 52d year of his age.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral at the Church of the Holy Communion, South Orange, on Wednesday, June 26, at 10 A. M. Carriages will be at South Orange on arrival of the 8:40 A. M. train from Christopher street and Barclay street forries. Kindly omit flowers. Paris (France) and Hamburg (Germany) papers please copy.

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